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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

In response to the Office Action mailed May 16, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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